

REMARKS

Claim 1 has been cancelled, and new claims 2 - 33 have been added to the Application. Thus, claims 2 - 33 are currently pending.

In the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claim 1 under the judicially created Doctrine of Double Patenting in view of claim 1 of U.S. Patent No. 5,752,011, and rejected claim 1 under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated by Pippin, U.S. Patent No. 5,838,578. Given the cancellation of claim 1, the rejections of claim 1 under the judicially created Doctrine of Double Patenting and 35 USC 102(e) are moot. The new claims are 2 - 33 are believed to be in condition for allowance.

Accordingly, reconsideration of the application and an early Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited. If there are any issues remaining which the Examiner believes could be resolved through either a Supplemental Response or an Examiner's Amendment, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

Charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 500388, (Order No. RLC1G000).

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